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- Two suspects were arrested November 24 after allegedly stealing nearly 1,000 pounds of copper wire from solar panels on land belonging to Mike Jackson Farms in California, causing an estimated \$1 million in damage. – *Hanford Sentinel* (See item [1](#))
- A Florida man was arrested November 25 for allegedly creating more than \$1 million worth of counterfeit credit cards after authorities found nearly 103 advanced counterfeit cloned credit cards in the man's car. – *WBBH 20 Fort Myers* (See item [2](#))
- Taylor Farms Pacific, Inc., issued a recall November 26 for numerous products containing celery after testing found that a Celery and Onion blend was contaminated with E. coli bacteria. – *U.S. Food and Drug Administration* (See item [13](#))
- A 2-alarm fire at A&H Industries in Pennsylvania caused approximately \$3 million in damages, halted railroad traffic for 3 hours, and prompted fire crews to remain on site for several hours containing the incident November 25. – *Lebanon Daily News* (See item [24](#))

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Energy Sector

1. *November 25, Hanford Sentinel* – (California) **Alleged copper theft conspiracy broken up in Kettleman City.** Two suspects were arrested November 24 for their involvement in an alleged scheme to steal nearly 1,000 pounds of copper wire from solar panels on 4 installations November 17 – 18 on land belonging to Mike Jackson Farms in Kettleman City. The total amount of damage to the solar panels was an estimated \$1 million.

Source: http://hanfordsentinel.com/news/local/alleged-copper-theft-conspiracy-broken-up-in-kettleman-city/article_6206497c-a7f1-56f2-8c61-fd2a165ceb07.html

Chemical Industry Sector

Nothing to report

Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

Nothing to report

Critical Manufacturing Sector

Nothing to report

Defense Industrial Base Sector

Nothing to report

Financial Services Sector

2. *November 26, WBBH 20 Fort Myers* – (Florida) **ID thief with over \$1M in fake credit cards busted by LCSO.** A Florida man was arrested November 25 for allegedly creating more than \$1 million worth of counterfeit credit cards after Lee County Sheriff's Office found nearly 103 advanced counterfeit cloned credit cards in the man's car during a traffic stop violation. Officials believe the man allegedly used credit card skimmers to access cardholder information and create the cards.

Source: <http://www.nbc-2.com/story/30611672/lcso-id-thief-with-over-1m-in-fake-credit-cards-busted>

3. *November 25, Whitley Republican News Journal* – (Kentucky) **Former local car lot owner accused of scheme to defraud banks.** The former owner of Myers Chevrolet-Oldsmobile-Cadillac Inc., Tri-County Cycles LLC, and Check Properties, LLC in Knox County was indicted November 19 for allegedly defrauding 2 banks of more than \$1.4 million by writing or causing the writing of 567 fraudulent checks between October – November 2008 to float money and loans between his various businesses.

Source: <http://www.thenewsjournal.net/details/9447/sitemap.cfm#comments>

4. *November 24, U.S. Department of the Treasury* – (International) **Treasury targets**

criminal network of fugitive Mexican drug lord. Officials from the U.S. Department of the Treasury reported November 24 that 2 Mexican nationals were charged with drug trafficking and money laundering for the Sinaloa Cartel in Mexico after an investigation revealed the two men were part of the Sinaloa Cartel organization. The suspects' assets were frozen and U.S. citizens were prohibited from conducting business with them.

Source: <https://www.treasury.gov/press-center/press-releases/Pages/jl0285.aspx>

Transportation Systems Sector

5. *November 27, Findlay Courier* – (Ohio) **Two-vehicle accident closes stretch of I-75.** Northbound lanes of Interstate 75 in Van Buren were shut down for nearly 3 hours November 26 while crews cleared the wreckage from a 2-vehicle crash that sent 1 driver to the hospital.
Source: <http://thecourier.com/local-news/2015/11/27/two-vehicle-accident-closes-stretch-of-i-75/>
6. *November 26, KARE 11 Minneapolis* – (Minnesota) **Fatal crash closes highway in SE Minn.** State Highway 52 in Chatfield was closed for several hours November 26 following a multi-vehicle accident involving 3 vehicles that left at least 1 person dead.
Source: <http://www.kare11.com/story/news/2015/11/26/fatal-crash-closes-highway-in-se-minn/76419086/>
7. *November 26, WECT 6 Wilmington* – (North Carolina) **Traffic resumes following fuel leak on CFMB.** Both eastbound lanes and 1 westbound lane on the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge in Wilmington were closed for nearly 3 hours November 25 after a semi-truck ran into a disabled vehicle on the bridge and leaked fuel onto the roadway and Cape Fear River. Crews cleared the scene and no injuries were reported.
Source: <http://www.wect.com/story/30602546/traffic-resumes-following-fuel-leak-on-cfmb>
8. *November 26, Sunbury Daily Item* – (Pennsylvania) **Crash, spill close Route 15 for 6 hours.** Route 15 in Union County was closed for approximately 6 hours November 26 while HAZMAT crews cleaned spilled chemicals following an accident involving 2 semi-trucks that left 1 driver injured and caused a small amount of a corrosive chemical to spill onto the roadway.
Source: http://www.dailyitem.com/news/crash-spill-close-route-for-hours/article_377fa1aa-948b-11e5-9d7e-c795b035c04e.html
9. *November 25, Seattle Times* – (Washington) **Highway 99 reopens hours after collision on icy road.** A portion of Highway 99 in Federal Way was shut down for several hours November 25 while officials investigated the scene of a 3-vehicle crash that caused 2 people to be transported to area hospitals with injuries.
Source: <http://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/transportation/highway-99-closed-after-collision-on-icy-road/>
10. *November 25, WLKY 32 Louisville* – (Kentucky) **Fatal accident shuts down**

Greenbelt Highway for several hours. One person was killed after crashing into 2 other vehicles that were stopped due to a collision, prompting the closure of Greenbelt Highway in Louisville for approximately 5 hours November 25 while officials investigated the accident.

Source: <http://www.wlky.com/news/fatal-crash-closes-northbound-greenbelt-highway-near-riverport-drive/36649912>

11. *November 25, KOVR 13 Stockton* – (California) **Stockton chain-reaction crash kills driver, injures toddler.** One driver was killed and a toddler was injured following a chain-reaction crash involving 2 semi-trucks and 2 other vehicles on Highway 99 in Stockton, prompting the highway's closure for 4 hours November 25 while crews cleared the scene.
Source: <http://sacramento.cbslocal.com/2015/11/25/stockton-chain-reaction-crash-kills-driver-injures-toddler/>
12. *November 25, KSL 5 Salt Lake City* – (Utah) **Police: Man arrested for stealing thousands of letters, packages.** Draper police arrested a man November 24 for attempting to cash a forged check, and authorities discovered that the suspect was tied to the alleged theft of hundreds of pieces of mail throughout several cities in Salt Lake County. Police searched the suspect's vehicle and found pieces of mail from over 40 victims, which included personal information such as Social Security numbers.
Source: http://www.ksl.com/?sid=37509027&nid=148&fm=most_popular&s_cid=popular-1

For another story, see item [24](#)

Food and Agriculture Sector

13. *November 26, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Taylor Farms Pacific, Inc. recalls celery products because of possible health risk.** Tracy, California-based Taylor Farms Pacific, Inc., issued a recall November 26 for numerous products containing celery distributed to different stores nationwide after testing by the Montana State Department of Health found that a Celery and Onion blend was contaminated with E. coli bacteria. Authorities confirmed that the tainted celery was used in Costco Wholesale Corporation's chicken salad products that were recalled November 23 due to an E. coli outbreak.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm474601.htm>
14. *November 25, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Bertagni 1882 Spa issues allergy alert on undeclared almond and cashew in butternut squash ravioli.** Italy-based Bertagni 1882 SPA issued a recall for its Bertagni fresh Sweet Butternut Squash Ravioli and Meijer frozen Butternut Squash Ravioli products November 25 due to misbranding and undeclared cashews and almonds. The products were tested by an outside agency and distributed in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm474588.htm>
15. *November 25, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Blue Buffalo**

voluntarily recalls one lot of Cub Size Wilderness Wild Chews Bones due to potential Salmonella health risk. Blue Buffalo Company issued a voluntary recall November 25 for 1 lot of its Cub Size Wilderness Wild Chew Bones products due to potential Salmonella contamination after routine testing at the manufacturing site found the presence of Salmonella. The products were sold in PetSmart stores in 9 States.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm474573.htm>

16. *November 25, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (California) **Raley's Family of Fine Stores issues allergy alert on undeclared cashew and almond in Raley's Frozen Sweet Pumpkin Ravioli.** West Sacramento, California-based Raley's Family of Fine Stores voluntarily removed its Raley's Frozen Sweet Pumpkin Ravioli products packaged in 10-ounce containers from the company's Nob Hill and Bel Air stores November 17 after the manufacturer alerted the company of potentially undeclared almonds and cashews.
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm474565.htm>

For another story, see item [1](#)

Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

Nothing to report

Healthcare and Public Health Sector

Nothing to report

Government Facilities Sector

17. *November 27, CNN* – (Washington, D.C.) **White House fence jumper detained.** The White House in Washington, D.C. issued an all clear 2 hours after a man scaled a fence on the North Lawn November 26, prompting the temporary closure of north and south fence lines while Secret Service agents took the man into custody.
Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2015/11/26/politics/white-house-fence-jumper/>
18. *November 25, Coeur d'Alene Press* – (Idaho) **Mishandled mercury mess.** School officials closed the Immaculate Conception St. Dominic school and church in Post Falls November 25 after students spilled mercury on the floor during science lab, which was tracked throughout the building. Crews will clean up the facility and authorities notified at least 15 students who were in the classroom during the spill to undergo an evaluation.
Source: http://www.cdapress.com/news/local_news/article_3956e449-cdec-5c30-82f9-bbc1feb3b7c9.html
19. *November 24, Associated Press* – (Maryland) **Police: Student stabbed inside Baltimore high school.** Renaissance Academy High School in Baltimore was evacuated after a student stabbed another student in a classroom before running away November 24. The suspect was arrested near his home and classes were held at another

site November 25 while authorities investigated.

Source: <http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/police-student-stabbed-inside-baltimore-high-school-35397500>

Emergency Services Sector

Nothing to report

Information Technology Sector

20. *November 27, Softpedia* – (International) **VPN vulnerability “Port Fail” reveals user’s real IP address.** Network security experts from Perfect Privacy discovered a vulnerability in virtual private network (VPN) providers’ internal routing table and port forwarding settings, which can allow an attacker to learn a victim’s real Internet Protocol (IP) address by directing victims to access a resource (image embedded on a site) hosted on the same VPN server.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/vpn-vulnerability-port-fail-reveals-user-s-real-ip-address-496808.shtml>

21. *November 26, Securityweek* – (International) **CryptoWall 4.0 spreading via Nuclear exploit kit.** Security researchers from Rackspace discovered that the BizCNGate actor has been disseminating the CryptoWall 4.0 ransomware through the Nuclear exploit kit (EK) via newly developed Internet Protocol (IP) addresses to allow the EK to exploit a flash vulnerability on Web sites and successfully infect Microsoft Windows hosts. The updated threat encrypts file names, prevents victims from recognizing them, and features an updated ransom note, in addition to encrypting the content of files on infected machines.

Source: <http://www.securityweek.com/cryptowall-40-spreading-nuclear-exploit-kit>

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Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <http://www.it-isac.org>

Communications Sector

Nothing to report

Commercial Facilities Sector

22. *November 27, WKBN 27 Youngstown* – (Ohio) **Fire damages Alliance car dealership.** Sally and Associates Auto Sales in Alliance, Ohio, sustained extensive damage November 26 after a fire began in the dealership, destroying 24 cars. No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Source: <http://wkbn.com/2015/11/26/fire-damages-alliance-car-dealership/>

23. *November 27, Arizona Republic* – (Arizona) **Buffalo Chip Saloon fire called ‘suspicious.’** Over 100 firefighters responded to a November 26 fire at the Buffalo Chip Saloon and Steakhouse in Cave Creek after the blaze allegedly began in the bathroom and attic of the building. The restaurant was deemed a total loss and officials are investigating whether arson was the cause of the fires.
Source: <http://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/phoenix/2015/11/26/firefighters-respond-blaze-buffalo-chip-saloon-cave-creek/76416502/>
24. *November 25, Lebanon Daily News* – (Pennsylvania) **Two-alarm fire damages Myerstown business.** A 2-alarm fire at A&H Industries in Myerstown, Pennsylvania, caused approximately \$3 million in damages, halted railroad traffic for 3 hours, and prompted fire crews to remain on site for several hours containing the incident November 25. No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire is unknown.
Source: <https://insurancenewsnet.com/oarticle/2015/11/26/two-alarm-fire-damages-myerstown-business.html>

Dams Sector

Nothing to report



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